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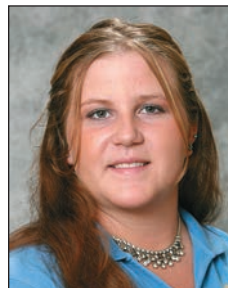
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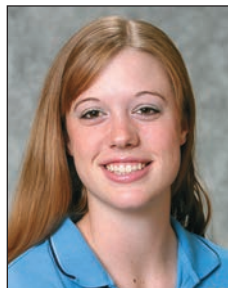
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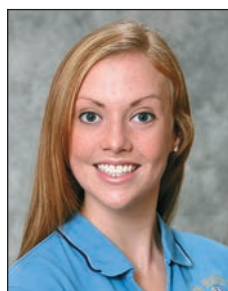
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Abby Knobbe
So., Dodge, Neb.



Kelsey Likness
Jr., Watertown, S.D.



Katie Morris
Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.



Molly Seidel
So., Sioux Falls, S.D.



Hillary Siebels
So., Britton, S.D.



Karley Stoltenburg
Sr., Huron, S.D.



Anna Taylor
Jr., Mandan, N.D.



Carolyn Wehde
So., Sioux Falls, S.D.

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2006-07 Roster

NAME	YEAR	EVENT(S)	HOMETOWN
Cierra Anderson	Jr.	W	Albert Lea, Minn.
Hillary Beldin	Fr.	W	Newcastle, Neb.
Jordanne Blair	So.	W	Lake City, Iowa
Erin Broussard	So.	E	Bluffdale, Utah
Allison Carie*	So.	E	Fairbanks, Alaska
Kristen Carlson	Fr.	E/W	Westminster, Colo.
Jessica Carr	Fr.	W	Renner, S.D.
Ashlie Centa	Fr.	E/W	Kuna, Idaho
Sara Curran*	So.	E	Sisseton, S.D.
Kaylee DeVries*	Jr.	E/W	Cedar Falls, Iowa
Brianna Grohs*	So.	E/W	Hurley, S.D.
Kate Gunderson*	So.	W	Canton, S.D.
Lindsay Harr*	So.	E	Zell, S.D.
Katie Hendrickson*	Jr.	W	Lennox, S.D.
Brittany Henry	Fr.	E	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Laura Hoff*	So.	E	Monticello, Minn.
Dacota Huzzen	Fr.	E	Newberry, Fla.
Nikki Jensen*	Jr.	W	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Abby Knobbe*	So.	W	Dodge, Neb.
Katelyn Knudsen	Fr.	E	Lincoln, Neb.
Meghan Lentsch	Fr.	W	Glencoe, Minn.
Kelsey Likness*	Jr.	W	Watertown, S.D.
Katie Morris*	So.	E	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Kaylee Mundwiler	Fr.	W	Milbank, S.D.
Tory Ruppert	Fr.	E	Currie, Minn.
Molly Seidel*	So.	W	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Hillary Siebels*	So.	W	Britton, S.D.
Courtney Smith	Jr.	W	Rapid City, S.D.
Diana Sneve	Fr.	E	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Sara Stirton	So.	E	Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan
Karley Stoltenburg*	Sr.	W	Huron, S.D.
Anna Taylor*	Jr.	W	Mandan, N.D.
Lacey Ann Vernon	Fr.	W	Kiowa, Colo.
Carolyn Wehde*	So.	W	Sioux Falls, S.D.
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SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location: Brookings, S.D.
Enrollment: 11,377 (fall 2006)
Colors: Yellow and Blue
Nickname: Jackrabbits
Affiliation: NCAA Division I — Provisional
Home Facility: Swiftel Center

COACHING STAFF

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2006-07 Schedule

SEPTEMBER

23-24 at Wisconsin-River Falls (Western)

TBA

OCTOBER

14-15 at Wisconsin-River Falls (English)

TBA

28 at Nebraska (Western)

TBA

NOVEMBER

4 at Minnesota-Crookston (English)

TBA

11 DELAWARE ST./NORTH DAKOTA ST. (Combined) 11 a.m.

18-19 at North Dakota State (Western)

TBA

FEBRUARY

17-18 at Tennessee-Martin/vs. Delaware State

TBA

24 at Nebraska (Western)

TBA

MARCH

3-4

at Fresno State Western Tournament

TBA

11

IHSA ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS (Western)

11 a.m.

24

at IHSA Super Zones Championships (Western)
(at Pomona, Calif.)

TBA

APRIL

1

at IHSA Zone 9 Finals (English)
(at Lake in the Hills, Ill.)

TBA

17-19

at Varsity Equestrian Championships
(Waco, Texas)

TBA

MAY

3-6

at IHSA National Finals (at Springfield, Mass.)

TBA

Head Coach Megan McGee

Megan (pronounced MEE-gan) McGee will guide the South Dakota State University equestrian team through its second year of competition during the 2006-07 school year.

McGee has led the Jackrabbit varsity equestrian program since its inception, bringing a wealth of horsemanship and collegiate coaching experience. After being named the first equestrian coach at South Dakota State University on Aug. 31, 2004, she has worked to assemble a roster of riders capable of qualifying individually or as a team for Intercollegiate Horse Show Association and Varsity Equestrian national championships.

Previously, McGee developed Fresno State (Calif.) into one of the most successful collegiate equestrian programs, guiding the Bulldogs for seven seasons as head coach. She resigned from Fresno State in August of 2003 and most recently served as a consultant for two different management firms: Ram Tap, Inc., and Montana Equestrian Events, where she organized and managed events around the country.

Certified by international and national equestrian federations, McGee has served as an official or member of the management team for several high-profile competitions, including the 1984 and 1996 Olympic Games.

At Fresno State, McGee led the equestrian team to seven straight Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) appearances and numerous regional and zone champions each year. In 2001, the Bulldogs finished fifth overall. The team also had two individual Reserve Champions.

From 1998-2000, McGee had riders compete individually in the national finals. In 1997, the team placed eighth in its first year as a varsity sport at Fresno State.



She guided both the Stock Seat and Hunt Seat teams to the 2001 IHSA National Finals in Conyers, Ga. The team produced two Reserve national champions and four other top-10 finishers. The Stock Seat and Hunt Seat teams won the IHSA Regional Finals. The Hunt Seat team won the Zone 8 Finals and Western Horsemanship team was Reserve champions at the Zone 8 show.

A year later, in 2002, she coached the winner of the Varsity Reining Championships held in Oklahoma City, at the National Reining Horse Association Derby.

At the 2000 Division I Equestrian Invitational in South Carolina, the team was the overall Reserve Champion. The Western team also placed first, with both English and Western riders winning overall champion rider.

In 2000, McGee had two riders compete in the Olympic Selection Trials in Atlanta, Ga. McGee was instrumental in gaining a spot for the team in the 1998 and 2001 Tournament of Roses Parade. Also in 1998, McGee coached the winner of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) Trophy at the IHSA Nationals, who was awarded the National Champion High Point title.

Prior to her hiring at Fresno State, McGee gained early coaching experience as a teaching assistant at both Morehead State (Ky.) and her alma mater, Cal Poly, as well as instructing the equestrian team at Portland State (Ore.). She has also taught at private facilities in California, Oregon and her home state of Kentucky.

Assistant Coach Joe Humphrey

Joe Humphrey brings national championship experience to the Jackrabbit equestrian program as it begins its second season of competition during the 2006-07 school year.



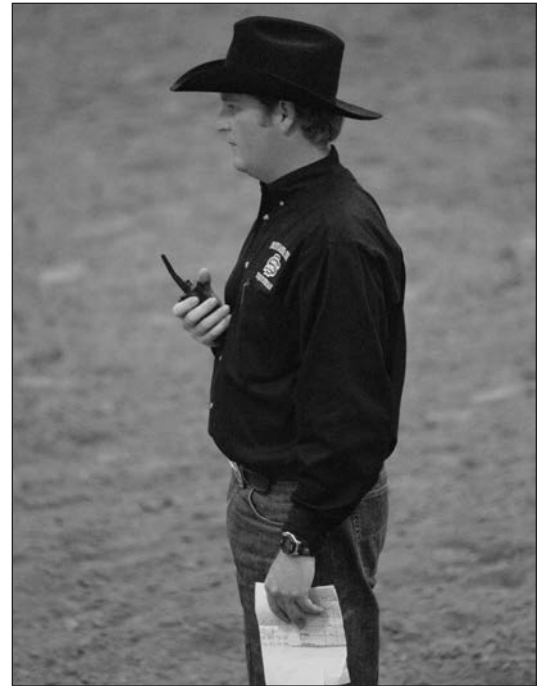
Prior to joining the Jackrabbits for their inaugural campaign during the 2005-06 season, Humphrey served as assistant coach in charge of the Western discipline at South Carolina for three seasons. The Gamecocks finished fifth in the Western standings at the 2005 Varsity Equestrian National Championships in Santa Fe, N.M., while riding a first-place effort in the English standings to the overall championship.

Prior to coaching at South Carolina, Humphrey served as assistant coach of the Western Kentucky University equestrian club team in Bowling Green, Ky. He earned a bachelor's degree in animal science at WKU in 2000 and a master's degree in agriculture in 2002.

As a member of the Western Kentucky equestrian team, Humphrey earned individual Reserve national championships in open reining in 1997 and open Western horsemanship in 1996 at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association level.

He also won the American Quarter Horse Association Trophy Open Reining class at the 1999 IHSA Nationals in Cazenovia, N.Y., and was a member of the winning judging team in the junior division of the All-American Quarter Horse Congress Judging contest in 1995, placing ninth individually.

A native of Kevil, Ky., Humphrey served as manager of the West Kentucky Exposition Center in Murray, Ky., for one year. He is member of numerous equine-related organizations and also judges and announces horse shows of all levels.



Administration



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Faculty Athletics Representative

Current Facilities

Outstanding facilities for both training and competition are already in place within the Brookings community, with additional on-campus facilities in the beginning stages of construction.

PEGASUS EQUINE CENTER

South Dakota State University and Christiansen Investments have reached a letter of intent facility-use agreement to lease the Pegasus Equine Center, which will serve as the stables and temporary training facility. Located about a mile northeast of the SDSU campus and just west of Interstate 29 at Exit 133., the partnership between Pegasus and SDSU provides visitors an additional gateway to the University.

Pegasus, which houses a full-service breeding lab, currently contains 20 indoor stalls, an office and conference space and indoor riding arena on its 23-acre facility.



SWIFTEL CENTER

The municipally operated Swiftel Center will serve as the main home competition venue. A multi-purpose facility, Swiftel Center features a 30,000 square-foot arena floor, seating for about 2,000 spectators and other amenities for an equestrian event.

Adjacent to the Swiftel Center is a holding barn which will serve as an auxiliary competition and training facility.

Swiftel Center was the site of a regional Arabian Horse Show in 2005 and 2006, and will again host the competition in 2007.



As part of a bold vision to make women's equestrian a nationally competitive program at South Dakota State University, construction began on the first phase of a new equestrian training center in the fall of 2006.

The \$3.6 million 50,000-square foot center, which is a joint venture between the Jackrabbit Athletic Department and SDSU Foundation, is being constructed just north of the Highway 14 Bypass in Brookings. This phase of the project will include an indoor riding arena, temporary stalls, team room, storage building, laundry facilities, washing areas and a farrier/veterinarian area. In addition, an outdoor riding arena will be located on site.

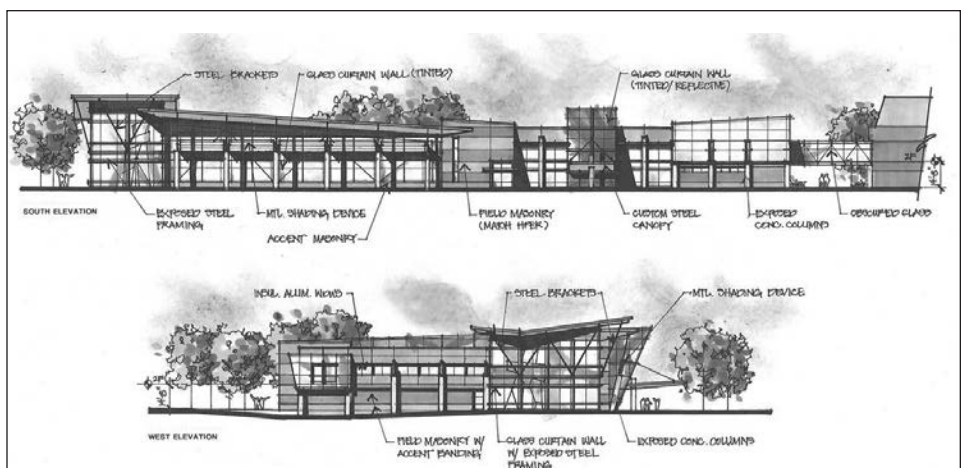
Construction of the first phase of the equestrian center received approval by the South Dakota Legislature in February 2006.

Phase 1 is scheduled to be completed in early 2008, while funding is being sought for the second phase, which will consist of additional stables and other amenities.

WELLNESS CENTER

Although not a facility for varsity athletics, ground was broken in the spring of 2007 for the new campus Wellness Center. The \$12 million facility, which will be connected to the Stanley J. Marshall HPER Center, is expected to be completed by the fall of 2008. Completion of the Wellness Center will allow for more flexibility in scheduling, including allowing the center to be open during events at Frost Arena.

Tied into the Wellness Center project is an expansion of the women's varsity locker room and conversion of the existing Acceleration room into team meeting rooms and lounges.



Returning Riders

Jordanne Blair

So., Western

Lake City, Iowa (Southern Cal H.S.)

Major: Apparel Merchandising



2005-06: Jordanne contributed several high finishes in Western competition during the team's inaugural season ... won reining event and tied for high-point honors in horsemanship as team won dual at Stephen F. Austin (Texas) ... claimed horsemanship section at Nebraska ... earned Reserve High Point rider at Minnesota-Crookston after winning section of open

reining and placing second in Open horsemanship and combined reining competition ... placed third in reining at team's first-ever meet, at Kansas State

BEFORE SDSU: Highly decorated rider who rode to championship in senior division of English equitation and was reserve champion in English Pleasure at Ak-Sar-Ben in 2004 also was Iowa State Fair Grand Champion in English equitation in 2004, taking first in English Pleasure, horsemanship and showmanship earned multiple other first-place finishes at State Fair between 2001 and 2004 ... earned title of Miss Teen Rodeo Iowa in 2004 ... National Honor Society president at Southern Cal High School in Lake City, Iowa ... active in FFA and 4-H ... received American Agriculture Award ... team captain in basketball who also lettered in dance and track and field

Allison Carie

So., English

Fairbanks, Alaska (Lathrop H.S.)

Major: Business Economics



2005-06: Was one of the top English riders during the team's inaugural season ... placed first against the University of Georgia in equitation over fences at the Big Eight Tournament ... was the high-point English rider in dual against North Dakota State ... placed second individually in both equitation over fences and on the flat in home dual against South Carolina

... posted four top-three finishes at two-day meet hosted by Wisconsin-River Falls, including first-place finish in section of intermediate equitation on the flat ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence

BEFORE SDSU: Member of the United States Pony Club ... 2002-04 Interior Horseman's Association English Performance champion ...

member of the National Honor Society ... lettered in soccer at Lathrop High School

Sara Curran

So., English

Sisseton, S.D. (Sisseton H.S.)

Majors: Animal Science/Pre-Veterinary Medicine



2005-06: Top performance was a third-place finish in section of novice equitation on the flat at meet hosted by Wisconsin-River Falls ... also competed in equitation on the flat in dual against Nebraska in Sioux Falls

BEFORE SDSU: Member of a student-run High School Rodeo team in Sisseton ... selected to the National Honor Society ...

averaged 12 points per game in basketball

Kaylee DeVries

Jr., English/Western

Cedar Falls, Iowa (Cedar Falls H.S.)

Majors: Early Childhood Education



2005-06: Concentrated on the English events for the Jackrabbits ... opened season with second-place finish in sportif at team's inaugural meet, at Kansas State ... won equitation over fences competition with score of 85.5 at Stephen F. Austin (Texas) dual ... placed third in equitation on the flat in dual against Oklahoma State at Big Eight English Tournament hosted by

Georgia, as well as in dual at Baylor (Texas)

BEFORE SDSU: Transferred from Ellsworth Community College (Iowa), where she competed at the IHSA level during the 2004-05 school year ... was a high-point Western rider at the regional show hosted by Ellsworth ... member of the Timber Ridge Pony Club ... was the 2004 fall schooling show high-point pony clubber ... received first place beginner novice award ... attended the 2004-05 United States Pony Club events ... member of the U.S. Pony Club since 2001 ... received second place in division at U.S. Pony Club Rally

Brianna Grohs

So., Western

Hurley, S.D. (Lennox H.S.)

Major: Animal Science



2005-06: Brianna's top performance was earning high-point honors in Western meet at Nebraska, taking first in open reining and third in open horsemanship ... placed first in reining during dual at South Carolina ... won reining title at 10-team meet hosted by Minnesota-Crookston ... placed fifth in reining in dual against Nebraska in Sioux Falls

BEFORE SDSU: Earned first place in equine proficiency at the state level ... was her FFA chapter President in 2004-05 ... was a member of the 2005 National FFA Convention marketing team ... received second place in horsemanship at the Sioux Empire Fair ... took home first place in English equitation at Yankton Southeast show ... received first place in horsemanship at the Brookings Southeast show

Kate Gunderson

So., Western

Canton, S.D. (Canton H.S.)

Major: Biology



2005-06: Competed in the Western events for the Jackrabbits ... won her section of the trail competition against Kansas State to open the season ... competed in horsemanship against Baylor, Stephen F. Austin (Texas) and North Dakota State in other dual action

BEFORE SDSU: Was a member of the Academic Decathlon team at Canton High

School ... participated in volleyball and one-act play competitions in high school ... great-uncle was former Vice President and U.S. Sen. Hubert Humphrey

Lindsay Harr

So., English

Zell, S.D. (Redfield Public H.S.)

Majors: Pre-Veterinary Medicine/Animal Science



2005-06: Earned Best Team Spirit Award during team's inaugural season ... was a mainstay in the Jackrabbit English lineup, starting with competing in equitation over fences during team's inaugural dual, at Kansas State ... also competed in equitation on the flat at Baylor ... placed fourth in equitation on the flat at meet hosted by Wisconsin-River Falls in March ... member

of Alpha Lambda Delta and Alpha Zeta at SDSU

BEFORE SDSU: Individual 4-H horse judging state champion in 2004 ... was named a member of the academic all-state team in both basketball and volleyball at Redfield Public High School ... member of the National Honor Society

Kathryn Hendrickson

Jr., Western

Lennox, S.D. (Lennox H.S.)

Major: Mass Communication



2005-06: Kathryn returns for her junior year after being one of the team leaders in horsemanship last season ... picked up first-place honors against Nebraska and North Dakota State ... posted second-place finishes against Auburn and in meet hosted by Minnesota-Crookston ... also placed third in section of trail at Kansas State ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll

for her work in the classroom

BEFORE SDSU: Katie joined the Jackrabbit squad after transferring from Gustavus Adolphus College (Minn.) ... played one season of volleyball at Gustavus, while also competing for the school's equestrian club team ... was an IHSA regional qualifier in advanced horsemanship in 2005 ... at state 4-H level, was state champion in hunt seat equitation in 1996 and 1997 ... also was state champion in stock seat equitation in 1998 and Reserve champion in both hunt seat and stock seat in 1999 ... earned high-point honors in the junior category and novice all-around youth title from the South Dakota Quarter Horse Association in 1996 ... academic all-state honoree in both volleyball and basketball ... second-team all-region pick in volleyball ... member of the National Honor Society

Laura Hoff

So., English

Monticello, Minn. (Monticello H.S.)

Majors: Pre-Veterinary Medicine/Animal Science



2005-06: Top performance was third-place finish in equitation on the flat in season finale against South Carolina ... placed fourth in equitation on the flat in exhibition dual against North Dakota State ... turned in fifth-place finish in novice equitation on the flat and sixth-place effort in equitation over fences at meet hosted by Wisconsin-River Falls ... competed in

sportif at season-opening meet at Kansas State ... competed in equitation over fences and on the flat in duals with Auburn and South Carolina ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence

BEFORE SDSU: Active in several high school activities, including cross country, track and marching band ... was North Suburban academic all-conference selection in track in 2005 ... placed third in her division at the Junior Young Rider Region Four Team Championships ... participated in the Central States Dressage and Eventing Association Championships ... was a working student with FEI dressage trainer and rider Marija Trieschman ... participated in several Arabian horse shows, including Sahara Sands, Great Arabian Get Together, Double the Fun, and Northern Lights Dressage show ... member of the National Honor Society

Nicole Jensen

Jr., Western

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Roosevelt H.S.)

Majors: Early Childhood/Elementary Education



2005-06: Nicole added depth to the Jackrabbit Western lineup ... top performance was a first-place finish in the walk-jog competition at meet hosted by Nebraska ... also competed in meet at Minnesota-Crookston

BEFORE SDSU: Received an academic letter at Roosevelt High School ... earned fourth place at the state cheer competition

Abby Knobbe

So., Western

Dodge, Neb. (West Point H.S.)

Major: Agriculture Education



2005-06: Enjoyed strong first season in Jackrabbit Western lineup ... won section of reining and placed second in open horsemanship during meet at Minnesota-Crookston in February ... at multi-team meet hosted by Nebraska, she earned high-point honors in Western, placing first in open horsemanship and second in open reining ... in dual at Auburn, she tied for

third in horsemanship and was team's top performer in reining, placing fifth overall ... honored on Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence

BEFORE SDSU: Served as president of her FFA Chapter at West Point High School ... earned various public speaking awards in FFA and 4-H ... horsemanship finalist at state 4-H Horse Show ... also qualified several times for Ak-sar-ben Livestock Exposition horse shows ... was part of the 2005 Nebraska State Champion 4-H Horse Judging team ... active in the National High School Rodeo Association and Midwest Barrel Racing Association ... also competed in track ... member of the National Honor Society

Kelsey Likness

Jr., Western

Watertown, S.D. (Watertown H.S.)

Majors: Dietetics/Nutrition



2005-06: Placed fourth in reining at the Big Eight Tournament hosted by Georgia ... was Reserve High Point Rider at the University of Nebraska, and placed second in reining and fourth in horsemanship ... during the same competition she won the ride-off for Reserve High Point ... tied for first in horsemanship in dual at Stephen F. Austin ... placed first in reining in dual

against North Dakota State ... during the team's inaugural competition, against Kansas State, she placed second in horsemanship and fourth in reining ... at SDSU, she is a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council and was honored at the Festival of Champions by being named to the Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll ... also is a member of the Family and Consumer Science National Honor Society — Phi Upsilon Omicron

BEFORE SDSU: Won six Pony of the Americas World Championships ... was a Reserve POA World Champion three times ... earned 32

top-10 finishes at POA World and International shows ... English equitation champion at the Fort Worth Stock Show in 2003 ... 4-H State Reserve Stock Seat Equitation Champion in 2001 ... was a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish National Honor Society at Watertown High School ... also was a Gold Girl Scout and was a regional Coca-Cola Scholar ... previously attended Augustana College before transferring to SDSU

Katie Morris

So., English

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Washington H.S.)

Major: Pre-Veterinary Medicine



2005-06: Katie was one of the Jackrabbits' top riders in equitation over fences during the 2005-06 season ... placed third individually in equitation over fences in duals against Kansas State and in victory at Stephen F. Austin (Texas) ... posted three runner-up finish in novice class at meet hosted by Wisconsin-River Falls in March... also competed in Big

Eight English Tournament hosted by Georgia, home dual with South Carolina and dual hosted by Baylor

BEFORE SDSU: Was high point champion at Sioux Empire Fair Hunter/Jumper Show ... Novice and Open Division Junior Champion ... Junior Team Champion at Regionals in Huron S.D. ... was a member of the National Honor Society ... a member of the National Scholars Honors Society in 2006

Molly Seidel

So., Western

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Lincoln H.S.)

Major: Nursing



2005-06: Molly was a key contributor in the Western lineup during the 2005-06 season ... claimed horsemanship individual honors with score of 81 in dual meet at South Carolina ... won advanced horsemanship title at tournament hosted by Minnesota-Crookston ... placed third in section of horsemanship in dual against Nebraska in Sioux Falls ... finished second

in section of trail, and also competed in English equitation during team's inaugural meet, at Kansas State ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence

BEFORE SDSU: Five-time state Grand and Reserve Champion in

horsemanship events at the 4-H level in South Dakota ... also earned Lincoln County 4-H Grand Champion honors ... attained extensive competition experience in both the English and Western disciplines, including a top-10 finish in the Morgan World Finals ... named to Who's Who in Academics list at Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls ... also competed in soccer where she was a second-team all-state selection in 2004

Hillary Siebels

So., Western

Britton, S.D. (Britton-Hecla H.S.)

Major: Pharmacy



2005-06: Competed in Western events ... placed fourth in section of trail during team's inaugural meet, at Kansas State ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence

BEFORE SDSU: Earned the 2004 South Dakota Point Horse Club All-Around championship ... competed at World Wide Point Horse Congress in 2004 ... also competed

in volleyball at prep level ... class valedictorian at Britton-Hecla High School

Karley Stoltenburg

Sr., Western

Huron, S.D. (Huron H.S.)

Major: Athletic Training



2005-06: Competed mostly in horsemanship events for the Jackrabbits during team's inaugural season

BEFORE SDSU: Placed at the South Dakota state 4-H show for four years ... received grand champion awards in stock seat, showmanship and trail competitions at county horse shows ... received all-around cowgirl award ... also competed in cheer-

leading in high school, where she received the South Dakota All-Star Cheerleader award ... was grand champion at the state cheer competition for Huron High School

Returning Riders

Anna Taylor

Jr., Western

Mandan, N.D. (Mandan H.S.)

Major: Animal Science



2005-06: Anna turned in a solid season in the Western events for the Jackrabbits during the 2005-06 campaign ... claimed first-place honors, as well as high-point differential, with score of 83 in section of horsemanship in dual versus Nebraska at Sioux Falls ... posted second-place finishes in reining in both duals against South Carolina, as well as team's inaugural event

at Kansas State ... also notched runner-up finish in reining section at multi-team event hosted by Minnesota-Crookston ... named to Equestrian Coaches' Honor Roll for academic excellence ... previously competed in track and field for the Jackrabbits

BEFORE SDSU: Participated in track and basketball in high school ... was a member of the 2003 state basketball championship team and 2002 state track championship team at Mandan High School ... was the 2003 state champion in the 300 hurdles, 800 relay and 1600 relay ... in equestrian, was the 2000 Mandan Horse and Saddle Club all-around champion ... earned the 1998 year-end Reserve All-Around title ... member of the National Honor Society

Carolyn Wehde

So., Western

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Sioux Falls Christian H.S.)

Majors: Journalism/Spanish



2005-06: Competed mostly in IHSA competitions during team's inaugural season ... won section of intermediate horsemanship at multi-team Western competition hosted by Minnesota-Crookston
BEFORE SDSU: Competed at the 4-H level for five years ... 2005 graduate of Sioux Falls Christian High Schools, where she competed in soccer for three seasons ...

member of the National Honor Society and academic letter winner

Season Preview

A different type of excitement hangs over the South Dakota State University equestrian team as it gears up for its second season.

"We just have a whole new dimension of riders," said head coach Megan McGee, whose preseason roster consisted of 39 riders, including 19 returning letterwinners.

"I definitely threw them into the deep end last season, but they handled it all very well," McGee said. "They'll be good leaders in terms of showing this new group how we get things done in competition."

Because equestrian is still considered an emerging sport within the NCAA, the Jackrabbits have the ability to be flexible in their scheduling by competing in both Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) and Varsity Equestrian competitions.

"It is a little bit of a luxury to have the riders compete in both types of competition," McGee said, noting that SDSU could send riders to postseason events at both levels.

Among the chief advantages of competing in the IHSA format is that riders accumulate points

which can be carried over from one season to the next. McGee anticipates several of the team's riders will have the ability to accumulate enough points early in the season to qualify for regional competition before moving up to a higher level of competition for the remainder of the regular season. Once regional and national competition rolls around, the riders compete at the level in which they qualified.

In Varsity Equestrian competition, the English and Western team scores are combined to determine a winner. Meanwhile, most IHSA competitions are English-only or Western-only.

"Our strength in Western is very evident," said McGee, who is assisted in the Western horsemanship and reining events by Joe Humphrey. "Our riders had very strong performances and won against some of the top riders in their first year of competition."

The Western contingent is led by a group of 13 returning letterwinners.

Among the leading candidates for qualifying are juniors Katie Hendrickson, Nikki Jensen, Kelsey Likness and Anna Taylor, along with

sophomores Jordanne Blair, Abby Knobbe, Molly Seidel and Carolyn Wehde. A Watertown native, Likness turned in one of the top performances by a Jackrabbit rider last season by placing fourth in the Western reining competition at the Big Eight Tournament hosted by Georgia.

In an effort to make the squad more balanced, McGee said an emphasis was placed on bringing in more English riders.

"I think that's going to help us a lot in being more prepared to go up against some of the more competitive schools," McGee said.

The group of six returning English letterwinners is led by sophomore Allison Carie and junior Kaylee DeVries. Carie consistently led the Jackrabbits in both the equitation on the flat and equitation over fences events during her freshman season, while DeVries also put herself in a position to qualify for future postseason events with a strong 2005-06 season.

Also returning for English competition are sophomores Sara Curran, Lindsay Harr, Laura Hoff and Katie Morris.



Cierra Anderson

Jr., Western
Albert Lea, Minn.
(Albert Lea H.S.)

Major: Pharmacy

Cierra previously attended Riverland Community College before enrolling at

SDSU ... member of the National Honor Society at Albert Lea High School, from where she graduated in 2004

onships in 2005 ... extensive list of show experience also includes winning Rocky Mountain Horse Show Association High Point honors in 2004 and 2005 ... was the USEF Regional Western Pleasure Champion in 2005 ... placed third for the USEF National Western Pleasure in 2004 ... USEF regional champion for Western Pleasure and Reserve Champion for Zone 8 Western Pleasure in 2004 ... received several high-point awards in Western pleasure, hunt seat pleasure, hunt seat equitation and Western seat equitation from the Rocky Mountain Horse Show Association ... lettered in academics at Standley Lake High School and was a member of the National Honor Society



Hillary Beldin

Fr., Western
Newcastle, Neb.

Major: Pre-Dental

Hillary previously competed at the 4-H level, reaching the Nebraska district finals in reining ... earned Dixon County

Horseman recognition as a junior and senior ... named 2005 Dakota-Thurston County Rodeo Queen ... two-time Days of '56 horsemanship recipient ... home-schooled



Jessica Carr

Fr., Western
Renner, S.D. (Baltic H.S.)

Major: Athletic Training

Jessica becomes a part of the SDSU equestrian team after earning South Dakota Pony of the Americas Junior Pony

High Point honors twice ... placed third in the 13-18 trail competition and eighth in Showmanship at 2005 Midwest Regional POA show ... 2003 SDPOA Reserve equitation champion ... was named Reserve High Point Champion in both pony and equitation in 2005 ... received the sportsmanship award after collecting high point honors in equitation in 2004 ... was a member of the Trailbusters 4-H, earning 2006 Grand Champion honors in English Showmanship ... was a Reserve Champion in both trail and reining in the senior division ... received second-place honors in horse judging at the South Dakota Horse Fair ... was a member of state 4-H horse judging team ... competed in volleyball, track and basketball at Baltic High School ... member of the National Honor Society



Erin Broussard

So., English
Bluffdale, Utah (Riverton H.S.)

Major: Nursing

Erin is a transfer from Salt Lake Community College (Utah) ... competed in the Utah Hunter/Jumper Association circuit from

1997-2006 ... claimed Junior Hunter championships in 2004 and 2005 and was English equitation 14-17 champion from 2002-05 ... two-time Children's Hunter champion ... 2003 Callister Cup Classic champion ... received the UHJA Pony Medal Champion award in 2001



Ashlie Centa

Fr., English/Western
Kuna, Idaho (Kuna H.S.)
Majors: Graphic Design/Advertising

Ashlie comes to SDSU after collecting a total of 10 world and nine Reserve world championships sponsored by the Pinto Horse Association ... earned a total of 39 top-10 placings at the PtHA World Show from 2002-06 ... three-time Zone 1 national winner ... recipient of PtHA 18-and-under English scholarship ... began career by receiving PtHA World Championship Show Reserve all-around honors in 13-and-under division



Kristen Carlson

Fr., English/Western
Westminster, Colo.
(Standley Lake H.S.)

Major: Clinical Laboratory Science

Kristen joins the Jackrabbits after winning both the USEF Regional Western Pleasure and USEF National Western Pleasure champi-

Newcomers



Brittany Henry

Fr., English

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Lincoln H.S.)

Major: Undeclared

Brittany comes to SDSU after graduating from Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls ... gained valuable competition experience

with the Sierra Equestrian Club ... played basketball at Lincoln



Dakota Huzzen

Fr., English

Newberry, Fla. (Santa Fe H.S.)

Major: Business Economics

Dakota "Coty" will help bolster the Jackrabbit English roster ... achieved "B" rating from the United States Pony Club ...

placed second in high-point standings for Charles Owen Medal ... also earned Sawgrass Horse Show Association Rider of the Year and sportsmanship award ... graduated from Santa Fe High School in Alachua, Fla.



Katelyn Knudsen

Fr., English

Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln Southwest H.S.)

Major: Sociology

Katelyn has competed in United State Pony Club shows for the last 11 years,

while also competing at the 4-H level with the Hunters Pride club ... qualified for the USPC Nations Games in 2004 and 2005 ... also participated in speech and debate at Lincoln Southwest High School ... member of the National Honor Society



Meghan Lentsch

Fr., Western

Glencoe, Minn. (Glencoe-Silver Lake H.S.)

Majors: Animal Science/ Agricultural Education

Meghan won McLeod County 4-H titles from 2000-06 as a member of the Silver Seekers club, and also placed in the top 10 at the Minnesota State 4-H Horse Show each of those years ... earned

Midstate Association all-around high-point rider honors in 2004 and received Reserve high-point Pleasure honors in 2005 ... member of Reserve Champion Horse Bowl team in 2005 and state's second-place senior hippology squad in 2006 ... received FFA State Degree and was FFA chapter president at Glencoe-Silver Lake High School ... member of the National Honor Society ... also a member of the McLeod County Riders and Little Crow Riders Saddle Club



Kaylee Mundwiler

Fr., Western

Milbank, S.D. (Milbank H.S.)

Majors: Biology/Pre-Mortuary Science/Spanish

Kaylee brings a wealth of talent to the

SDSU equestrian team after earning a number of American Quarter Horse Youth Association awards ... qualified for the AQHYA Youth Championships while earning SDQHYA Youth All-Around and High-Point honors ... captain for 2005 AQHYA Reserve World Champion team ... recognized as AQHA Open Performance and AQHYA Performance and Halter Register of Merit ... competed in gymnastics and was a member of the National Honor Society at Milbank High School



Tory Ruppert

Fr., English

Currie, Minn. (Tracy Area H.S.)

Major: Pre-Pharmacy

Tory brings a wealth of horse experience to the Jackrabbit lineup ... recorded top-10 finishes in Showmanship and English

Pleasure at 2005 Minnesota State Fair ... earned several titles, including English Pleasure, English champion and Reserve English champion at Murray County Fair between 2004 and 2006 ... 4-H officer and member of Minnesota state first-place FFA horse judging team ... earned individual gold awards in horse judging at state and national levels in 2005 and 2006 ... also active in cheerleading, she was named an All-American cheerleader in 2005-06 and performed at the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Fla. ... member of the National Honor Society



Courtney Smith

So., Western

Rapid City, S.D. (Stevens H.S.)

Major: Mass Communication

Courtney comes to SDSU after attending Black Hills State during the 2005-06 academic year ... will have three years of eligibility remaining ... competed and lettered in rodeo and cheer-leading at Rapid City Stevens ... was named 2005 South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Ambassador, as well as the 2005 Black Hills Stock and Rodeo Queen ... was a two-time Reserve champion in Western riding at the South Dakota state 4-H horse show ... nominated in 2003 as Junior Miss Rodeo South Dakota ... contestant at the State High School Rodeo Finals from 2000-04 ... Regents Scholar



Lacey Vernon

Fr., Western

Kiowa, Colo. (Kiowa H.S.)

Major: English

Lacey becomes a part of the SDSU Equestrian team after winning the 2005 Youth National Reining Horse Association national title ... finished season ranked in the top 10 of the NRHA non-pro world standings ... honors also include winning 2005 Youth NRHA Affiliate championship ... excelled academically at Kiowa High School by being named to the honor's list as the highest achieving artist



Diana Sneve

Fr., English

Sioux Falls, S.D. (Lincoln H.S.)

Major: Biology

Diana is expected to add depth in the English events for the Jackrabbits ... 2006 graduate of Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls, where she was active in Drama Club and participated in the state one-act play competition from 2002-06 ... also served as stage manager for the technical crew in theatre productions ... member of the National Honor Society



Kylie Jo Wilson

Fr., Western

Badger, S.D. (Lake Preston H.S.)

Major: Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Kylie comes to SDSU after compiling an impressive list of credentials at the 4-H level in South Dakota ... was a seven-time all-around and high-point Showmanship champion in Brookings County ... placed ninth overall in total points among South Dakota Quarter Horse Association competitors in 2006 ... placed second in youth mares, second in novice youth trail, third in novice Western Horsemanship and third in novice youth Showmanship in 2006 ... qualified for Youth Worlds in barrels and poles in 2003, and was high-point rider in both 2003 and 2004 ... 2005 delegate to Y.E.S. convention in Amarillo, Texas ... placed third in senior Showmanship at state 4-H level ... also competed in volleyball and high school rodeo at Lake Preston High School



Sara Stirton

So., English

Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan

(A.E. Peacock Collegiate)

Major: Pre-Pharmacy

Sara is a transfer from the University of Saskatchewan ... will have three years of eligibility remaining ... a 2004 graduate of A.E. Peacock Collegiate high school, she competed in volleyball, soccer and basketball and women's soccer ... garnered many province awards on the Saskatchewan Heritage Circuit ... placed third in five-bar competition at Mid-Summer Masters jumping competition ... won Junior Heritage Horse and Rider combination title in 2000 and 2001 ... honor roll student

2005-06 Recap

SDSU EQUESTRIAN TEAM DROPS OPENER

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kansas State collected 10 first-place finishes as the Wildcats spoiled the debut of the South Dakota State University equestrian team Oct. 1 in a dual at Fox Creek Stables.

The Wildcats won by a final count of 170-88, winning both the Western (72-58) and English (98-30) competitions.

SDSU's two victories came in the Western trail competition. Kate Gunderson, a freshman from Canton, led a Jackrabbit sweep of the top three spots in the first section. Gunderson was followed by Molly Seidel and Andrea Carstensen.

Freshman Emily Hansen, from Marshall, Minn., took first in the second section of trail competition for the Jackrabbits. Katie Hendrickson placed third in the second section.

Two other Jackrabbit competitors recorded second-place finishes in Western events. Anna Taylor was runner-up in the second section of reining and Kelsey Likness placed second in the first section of horsemanship.

In English competition, Kansas State swept the top two spots in five of the six events. Kaylee DeVries was the top Jackrabbit finisher, placing second in the first section of Sportif. Allison Carie added a third-place effort in the second section of Sportif and Katie Morris took third in the second section of equitation over fences.

KANSAS STATE 170, SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 88

Western Competition: Kansas State 72, SDSU 58

Reining Section One: 1. Shanda Draper, KSU; 2. Lindsey Hicks, KSU; 3. Jordanne Blair, SDSU; 4. Lindsey Salisbury, KSU; 5. Abby Knobbe, SDSU.

Reining Section Two: 1. Sara Weller, KSU; 2. Anna Taylor, SDSU; 3. Riley Zarda, KSU; 4. Kelsey Likness, SDSU; 5. Andrea Carstensen, SDSU.

Western Horsemanship One: 1. Lindsey Hicks, KSU; 2. Kelsey Likness, SDSU; 3. Amy Anderson, KSU; 4. Abby Knobbe, SDSU; 5. Gina Remus, KSU; 6. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU.

Western Horsemanship Two: 1. Lindsey Salisbury, KSU; 2. Kara Taddiken, KSU; 3. Dennon Zimbelman, KSU; 4. Riley Zarda, KSU; 5. Kate Gunderson, SDSU; 6. Brianna Grohs, SDSU.

Trail Section One: 1. Kate Gunderson, SDSU; 2. Molly Seidel, SDSU; 3. Andrea Carstensen, SDSU; 4. Becky Abramovitz, KSU; 5. Sarah Haltom, KSU; 6. Valerie Meyer, KSU.

Trail Section Two: 1. Emily Hansen, SDSU; 2. Dennon Zimbelman, KSU; 3. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU; 4. Hillary Siebels, SDSU; 5. Lindsey Salisbury, KSU; 6. Kara Taddiken, KSU.

English Competition: Kansas State 98, SDSU 30

Equitation over Fences One: 1. Heather Chatham, KSU; 2. Meghan Felts, KSU; 3. Casey Finnell, KSU; 4.



Kaylee DeVries

Allison Carie, SDSU.

Equitation over Fences Two: 1. Leslie Yates, KSU; 2. Christine Fosnacht, KSU; 3. Katie Morris, SDSU; 4. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU; 5. Lindsay Harr, SDSU.

Sportif One: 1. Jenn Giralдин, KSU; 2. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU; 3. Heather Chatham, KSU; 4. Meghan Felts, KSU; 5. Lauren Demmel, KSU; 6. Katie Morris, SDSU.

Sportif Two: 1. Sheena Linders, KSU; 2. Gentry Horgan, KSU; 3. Allison Carie, SDSU; 4. Erin Mader, KSU; 5. Carley Williams, KSU; 6. Laura Hoff, SDSU.

Equitation on the Flat One: Sheena Linders, KSU; 2. Dresden Sommer, KSU; 3. Summer Hamil, KSU; 4. Allison Carie, SDSU; 5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU; 6. Lindsay Harr, SDSU.

Equitation on the Flat Two: 1. Lauren Demmel, KSU; 2. Jenae Grossart, KSU; 3. Casey Finnell, KSU; 4. Stephanie Bell, KSU; 5. Tiffany Bowles, KSU; 6. Molly Seidel, SDSU.

JACKS FALL TWICE AT BIG EIGHT ENGLISH TOURNAMENT

ATHENS, Ga. — The South Dakota State University women's equestrian team dropped a pair of duals Oct. 7 during the opening day of competition at the Big Eight English Tournament.

The Jackrabbits, seeded seventh in the tournament, dropped their opener to host Georgia, 344-261. SDSU's Allison Carie was the high-point rider in the dual as she tallied a score of 76 in the equitation over fences portion of the dual. Katie Morris was next for the Jackrabbits with a score of 72.

In the equitation on the flat competition, Carie and Kaylee DeVries each posted scores of 38.

SDSU was later defeated in consolation action by Oklahoma State, 384-289. Morris led Jackrabbit riders in equitation over fences with a

score of 67, while DeVries improved to a score of 69 in the equitation on the flat competition.

GEORGIA 344, SDSU 261

Equitation over Fences: 1. Allison Carie, SDSU, 76; 2. Alex Linscheid, Georgia, 74; 2. Rachel Berkowitz, Georgia, 74; 4. Katie Morris, SDSU, 72; 5. Logan Fiorentino, Georgia, 68; 6. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 37.

Equitation on the Flat: 1. Melinda Drury, Georgia, 67; 2. Michelle Blair, Georgia, 61; 3. Cordy Allsop, Georgia, 56; 4. Allison Carie, SDSU, 38; 4. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 38; 6. Lisa Assid, SDSU, 37.

OKLAHOMA STATE 384, SDSU 289

Equitation over Fences: 1. Brittany Snider, OSU, 81; 2. Bailey Mahoney, OSU, 76; 3. Katie Morris, SDSU, 67; 4. Paige Hortman, OSU, 60; 5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 40; 6. Allison Carie, SDSU, 30.

Equitation on the Flat: 1. Bailey Mahoney, OSU, 81; 2. Michelle Wooschlager, OSU, 77; 3. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 69; 3. Corynn Johnson, OSU, 69; 5. Allison Carie, SDSU, 62; 6. Lisa Assid, SDSU, 51.

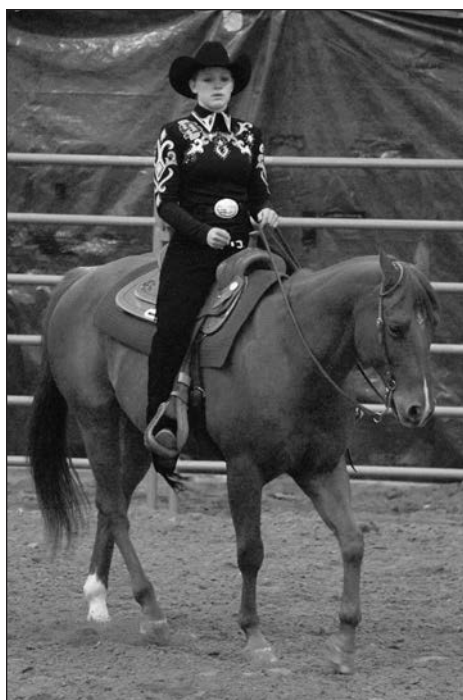
Note: Low individual score between two events is not used to determine team score.

LIKNESS PLACES FOURTH AT GEORGIA

ATHENS, Ga. — South Dakota State rider Kelsey Likness placed fourth overall in the Western reining event during women's equestrian competition Oct. 8 at the Big Eight English Tournament.

A sophomore from Watertown, Likness lost to Brenna Buris of Baylor (Texas) in a ride-off during semifinal competition. Both riders finished tied at 72.5 after their first rides before Buris won, 71-67.

In the third-place competition, Likness dropped a 75-72 decision to Sarah Meier of Georgia.



Anna Taylor

JACKS EDGE NDSU IN EXHIBITION

South Dakota State rode a victory in the open reining class to defeat the North Dakota State club team 994.5-990 in a women's equestrian exhibition dual Oct. 23 at the Swiftel Center.

North Dakota State captured each of the three other classes by narrow margins, but SDSU scored a 10-point victory, 209.5-199.5, in the open reining class. Andrea Carstensen and Kelsey Likness shared top-point honors with 70.5 points in open reining, while Abby Knobbe tallied a score of 68.5.

Two other Jackrabbit riders were top-point riders in their classes as Katie Hendrickson posted a score of 77 in open horsemanship and Allison Carie turned in a score of 77 in equitation on the flat.

SDSU 994.5, NORTH DAKOTA STATE 990
Open Horsemanship: North Dakota State 296, SDSU 292.5

1. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 77.0; 2. Ashley Flick, NDSU, 76.0; 2. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 76.0; 4. Abra Grosz, NDSU, 75.0; 5. *Maggie Lausten, NDSU, 72.5; 5. Melissa Brown, NDSU, 72.5; 7. Kate Gunderson, SDSU, 72.0; 8. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 67.5.

Open Reining: SDSU 209.5, NDSU 199.5

1. Andrea Carstensen, SDSU, 70.5; 1. Kelsey Likness, 70.5; 3. Abra Grosz, NDSU, 70.0; 4. *Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 68.5; 5. Ashley Flick, NDSU, 67.5; 6. Maggie Lausten, NDSU, 62.0.

Novice Horsemanship: NDSU 293.5, SDSU 291.5

1. *Morgan Sager, NDSU, 78.0; 2. Kelley Lewis, NDSU, 74.0; 2. Andrea Carstensen, SDSU, 74.0; 4. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 73.5; 5. Molly Seidel, SDSU,

73.0; 6. Ilene Wiste, NDSU, 71.5; 7. Jessica Mann, SDSU, 71.0; 8. Rachel Kramer, NDSU, 70.0.

Equitation on the Flat: NDSU 260, SDSU 257

1. Allison Carie, SDSU, 77.0; 2. *Melissa Brown, NDSU, 72.0; 3. Ashley Flick, NDSU, 67.0; 4. Laura Hoff, SDSU, 63.0; 5. Kelley Lewis, NDSU, 62.0; 6. Katie Morris, SDSU, 61.0; 7. Laura Kenyon, NDSU, 59.0; 8. Lindsay Harr, SDSU, 56.0.

Note: Low individual score from any of the four classes not factored into overall team totals.

* Denotes high-point differential winner (determined between riders on same horse)

JACKRABBIT RIDERS DROP DUAL AT BAYLOR

WACO, Texas — Abby Knobbe shared high-point honors in Western horsemanship as the South Dakota State University women's equestrian team fell 934-743 to Baylor in a dual featuring a pair of first-year varsity programs on Nov. 18.

Knobbe, a freshman from Dodge, Neb., scored 72.5 points in Western horsemanship, sharing the title with Baylor's Nicole McCoy. The Bears won both the English and Western classes to take the dual.

In English competition, Allison Carie and Kaylee DeVries were the top SDSU finishers. Carie scored 60 points in equitation over fences to take third, while DeVries was third in equitation on the flat with a score of 66.

ENGLISH COMPETITION: BAYLOR 446, SDSU 396

Equitation Over Fences: 1. Susie Foster, BU, 67; 2. Shelby White, BU, 61; 3. Allison Carie, SDSU, 60; 4. Nicole Brown, BU, 55; 5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 54; 6. Katie Morris, SDSU, 43.

Equitation on the Flat: 1. Shelby White, BU, 71; 2. Nicole Brown, BU, 70; 3. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 66; 4. Allison Carie, SDSU, 64; 5. Amanda Esco, BU, 61; 6. Atlee Johnson, BU, 60; 7. Susie Foster, BU, 56; 8. Katie Morris, SDSU, 54; 9. Lindsay Harr, SDSU, 53; 10. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 45.

WESTERN COMPETITION: BAYLOR 488, SDSU 347

Horsemanship: 1. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 72.5; 1. Nicole McCoy, BU, 72.5; 3. Stephanie Thompson, BU, 65; 4. Kim Crook, BU, 71.5; 5. Kate Gunderson, SDSU, 71; 6. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 69; 6. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 69; 6. Ashleigh Brown, BU, 69; 9. Brenna Burris, BU, 68.5. 10. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 0.

Reining: 1. Amanda Esco, BU, 70.5; 2. Brenna Burris, BU, 68; 2. Kendra Kemp, BU, 68; 4. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 65.5; 5. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 0; 5. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 0.

Note: Score of zero indicates rider went off pattern and was disqualified.

SDSU DEFEATS SFA IN DUAL

NACODOCHES, Texas — The South Dakota

State University women's equestrian team
2006-07 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY EQUESTRIAN

picked up its first regular season victory on Nov. 20, defeating Stephen F. Austin 1,030-1,008.5 in a meet featuring a pair of first-year varsity programs.

The Jackrabbits, who improved to 1-4 in duals, won three of four events, including a sweep of the Western events.

Jordanne Blair paced SDSU in the Western events, winning the reining competition with 70.5 points and sharing high-point honors in the horsemanship event. Blair, a freshman from Lake City, Iowa, was one of four riders to tally 76 points in horsemanship, including teammate Kelsey Likness.

Abby Knobbe took second for SDSU in reining with a score of 69.5.

In the English portion of the dual, Kaylee DeVries recorded a meet-best 85.5 points in the equitation over fences competition. Allison Carie tied for third in the equitation on the flat competition with a score of 81.

ENGLISH COMPETITION: SDSU 531, STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 527

Equitation Over Fences: SDSU 232.5, SFA 147.5

1. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 85.5; 2. Alex Berry, SFA, 76.5; 3. Kate Morris, SDSU, 76; 4. Allison Carie, SDSU, 71; 4. Alex Fincher, SFA, 71; 6. Kenna McNerny, SFA, 0.

Equitation on the Flat: SFA 380.5, SDSU 298.5

1. Cat Brennan, SFA, 84; 2. Kristine Rice, SFA, 83.5; 3. Allison Carie, SDSU, 81; 3. Paige Wiley, SFA, 81; 5. Rebecca Harrison, SFA, 80.5; 6. Kate Morris, SDSU, 77; 7. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 72; 8. Lindsey Harr,



Brianna Grohs

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SDSU, 68.5; 9. Lindsey Gaston, SFA, 51.5; 10. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 65.5x.

WESTERN COMPETITION: SDSU 499, STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 480.5

Reining: SDSU 140, SFA 135.5

1. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 70.5; 2. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 69.5; 3. Jaime Megares, SFA, 68.5; 4. Monika Brindley, SFA, 67; 5. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 0; 5. Jenny Martin, SFA, 0.

Horsemanship: SDSU 359, SFA 345

1. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 76; 1. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 76; 1. Monika Brindley, SFA, 76; 1. Jenny Martin, SFA, 76; 5. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 72; 6. Jamie Melgares, SFA, 71; 7. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 68; 8. Kate Gunderson, SDSU, 67; 9. Lauren Macomber, SFA, 66; 10. Tricia Sutton, SFA, 56.

JACKRABBITS DROP EQUESTRIAN DUAL

COLUMBIA, S.C. — South Dakota State riders Molly Seidel and Brianna Grohs posted high-point performances, but the Jackrabbit equestrian team dropped a Western dual to the University of South Carolina by a count of 520-462.5 on Feb. 4.

Seidel, a freshman from Sioux Falls, claimed horsemanship honors with a score of 81 as the Jackrabbits and Gamecocks tied in the team standings at 275. Jordanne Blair was fourth individually with a 68-point ride.

In the reining event, Grohs, a freshman from Hurley, took home first-place honors with a

score of 64.5. Anna Taylor tied for second place with South Carolina's Katy Biffle with 64 points. SDSU received two no-scores in the reining event, which prevented the Jackrabbits from having a chance to win the dual.

The host Gamecocks, who won the 2005 Varsity Equestrian National Championships, also defeated Miami (Ohio) in English competition, 329-311.5.

SOUTH CAROLINA 520, SDSU 462.5

Horsemanship: USC 275, SDSU 275

1. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 81; 2. Courtney Borton, USC, 76; 3. Katie Grossnickle, USC, 69; 4. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 68; 5. Allison Bradley, USC, 67; T6. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 63; T6. Michelle Grah, USC, T6. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 63; 9. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 62; 10. Stacy Cell, USC, 56.

Reining: USC 245, SDSU 187.5

1. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 64.5; T2. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 64; T2. Katy Biffle, USC, 64; 4. Rebecca Roof, USC, 62.5; 5. Jamie Diamond, USC, 59.5; T6. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 59; T6. Ashleigh Collins, USC, 59; 8. Laura Pipkin, USC, 47. No scores: Abby Knobbe, SDSU; Jordanne Blair, SDSU.

SDSU RIDERS WIN SIX EVENTS AT WEEKEND MEET

CROOKSTON, Minn. -- Six South Dakota State University riders claimed event titles in Western competition at the two-day Minnesota-Crookston Invitational equestrian meet Feb. 11-12.

As a team, the Jackrabbits turned in a pair of upper-division finishes in the 10-team meet that featured mostly non-varsity squads. In competition Saturday, SDSU finished in a tie for third place with North Dakota State with 22 points. Nebraska and Minnesota-Crookston shared the team title with 24 points.

On Sunday, the Jackrabbits slipped to fifth place with 15 points. Nebraska again led the way with 33 points, followed by North Dakota State with 26, Wisconsin-River Falls with 21 and Wisconsin-Eau Claire with 20.

Individually on Saturday, Brianna Grohs claimed the reining title and Molly Seidel placed first in advanced horsemanship. Anna Taylor came in second in reining while Abby Knobbe took second in the horsemanship A section and Katie Hendrickson was runner-up in the B section.

Four Jackrabbit riders earned top placings in Sunday's competition, including Jordanne Blair who took first in the open reining B class and placed second as Reserve high-point rider in the Open horsemanship and reining combined competition.

Other SDSU winners were Abby Knobbe in

reining section A, Andrea Carstensen in section A of novice horsemanship and Carolyn Wehde in section B of intermediate horsemanship.

SDSU RIDERS COMPETE IN WISCONSIN

RIVER FALLS, Wis. — Allison Carie and Katie Morris each recorded multiple top-three individual finishes to help lead the South Dakota State University English equestrian squad to a pair of upper-division finishes March 5-6 at an invitational hosted by the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Carie, a freshman from Fairbanks, Alaska, recorded four top-three finishes. She placed first in the "A" section of intermediate equitation on the flat during competition on Sunday, after placing second on Saturday. She also posted a second-place showing in intermediate equitation over fences on Sunday and a third-place effort on Saturday.

Morris, a freshman from Sioux Falls, turned in three runner-up finishes in the novice events. She finished second in section C of equitation on the flat during Saturday's competition and was second in the A section on Sunday. Morris also was runner-up in the A section of equitation over fences on Sunday.

In the team standings, SDSU finished third out of 10 teams in Sunday's team standings. Host Wisconsin-River Falls won the team title with 29 points, followed by the University of Wisconsin with 24 and SDSU third with 21 points.

On Saturday, the Jackrabbits placed fourth with 14 points. Wisconsin was first with 28 points, followed by UWRF with 25 and Minnesota-Crookston with 19.

COMPLETE SDSU RESULTS

Intermediate Equitation over Fences

- Allison Carie 3rd-3rd
- Kaylee DeVries 6th-N/A

Novice Equitation over Fences

- Katie Morris N/A-2nd (A)

Intermediate Equitation on the Flat

- Allison Carie 1st-2nd (A)
- Lisa Assid 3rd-3rd (B)
- Kaylee DeVries 4th (B)-3rd (A)

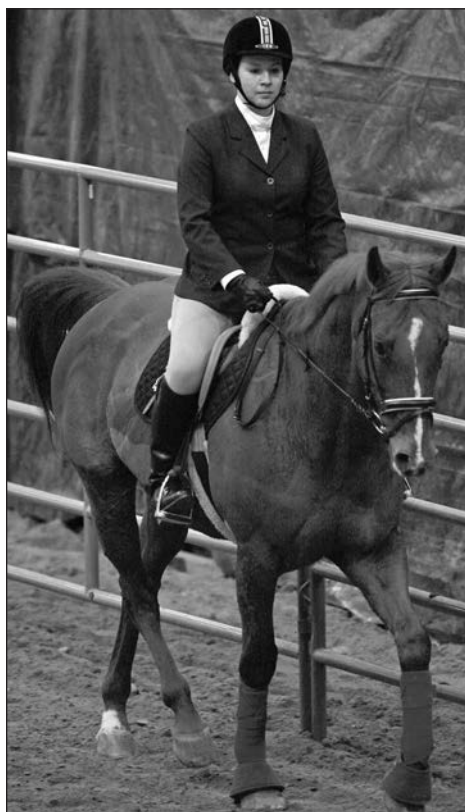
Novice Equitation on the Flat

- Sara Curran N/A-3rd (B)
- Lindsay Harr N/A-4th (B)
- Laura Hoff 6th (A)-5th (C)

Notes: Saturday results listed first, followed by Sunday. Section listed in parentheses.

AUBURN TAKES DUAL FROM SDSU

AUBURN, Ala. — South Dakota State earned a narrow victory in Western horsemanship, but Auburn claimed the other three events to win



Allison Carie

the dual 1257.5-1,136 on March 18.

Katie Hendrickson placed second overall in horsemanship with a score of 73, while teammate Jordanne Blair was right behind with 72 points as SDSU won the section, 288-287.

The highest score by a Jackrabbit rider was an 81 turned in by Kaylee DeVries in equitation on the flat.

AUBURN 1,257.5, SDSU 1,136

ENGLISH: AUBURN 675, SDSU 561

Equitation Over Fences: Auburn 235, SDSU 183

1. Natalie Burton, AU, 83; 2. Kelsey Horowitz, AU, 77; 3. Erin Gaddy, AU, 75; 4. Alex Goldstein, AU, 71; 5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 70; 6. Allison Carie, SDSU, 68; 7. Laura Hoff, SDSU, 45; 8. Katie Morris, SDSU, 35.

Equitation on the Flat: Auburn 440, SDSU 378

T1. Jennifer Jordan, AU, 90; T1. Kelly Gottfried, AU, 90; 3. Maggie White, AU, 89; 4. Jessica Braswell, AU, 87; 5. Erin McMahon, AU, 84; 6. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 81; 7. Cassie McEnroe, AU, 79; 8. Katie Morris, SDSU, 78; 9. Allison Carie, SDSU, 76; 10. Lisa Assid, SDSU, 75; 11. Laura Hoff, SDSU, 68; 12. Lindsay Harr, SDSU, 59.

WESTERN: AUBURN 582.5, SDSU 575

Horsemanship: SDSU 288, Auburn 287

1. Ashley Milton, AU, 73.5; 2. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 73; 3. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 72; T4. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 71.5; T4. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 71.5; T4. Katelen Ream, AU, 71.5; T4. Kimberly Tidwell, 71.5; 8. Whitney Kimble, AU, 70.5; 9. Ashley Dickerson, AU, 70; 10. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 68.5.

Reining: Auburn 295.5, SDSU 287

1. Whitney Kimble, AU, 74.5; 2. Katelen Ream, AU, 74; 3. Ashley Griffith, AU, 73.5; 4. Kimberly Tidwell, AU, 73.5; 5. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 73; T6. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 72.5; T6. Julie Gibbes, AU, 72.5; 8. Jordanne Blair, SDSU, 71.5; T9. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 70; T9. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 70.

JACKS FALL TO NEBRASKA

SIOUX FALLS — South Dakota State won the second section of Western horsemanship, but Nebraska claimed titles in the other three events to defeat the Jackrabbit equestrian team 926-906.5 in head-to-head competition March 25 at the W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds.

Nebraska opened the meet by winning the equitation on the flat competition, 234-212, as Alicia Wittwer scored an 81 to lead the Cornhuskers.

The Jackrabbits took the team lead at the halfway mark by winning the second class of Western horsemanship, 243-214. Anna Taylor

recorded a high-point score of 83, followed by Jess Mann with an 82. The two Jackrabbit riders also shared high-point differential honors by scoring 19 more points than their opponents riding the same horses.

Nebraska regained the lead by winning the Western reining competition, 224-211.5, and sealed the victory with a 254-240 win in the first section of Western horsemanship. All four Cornhusker riders tallied scores of 80 or better in the horsemanship event.

NEBRASKA 926, SDSU 906.5

Equitation on the Flat: Nebraska 234, SDSU 212

1. Alicia Wittwer, Nebraska, 81; 2. Erin Peery, Nebraska, 79; T3. Lisa Assid, SDSU, 74; T3. Katie Peers, Nebraska, 74; T5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 73; T5. Reenie McCormick, Nebraska, 73; 7. Katie Morris, SDSU, 65; 8. Sara Curran, SDSU, 53.

High-Point Differential: Reenie McCormick, Nebraska.

Horsemanship-Section 2: SDSU 243, Nebraska 214

1. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 83; 2. Jess Mann, SDSU, 82; 3. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 78; 4. Christi Vidlak, Nebraska, 77; 5. Rachelle Bose, Nebraska, 73; 6. Clara Grundman, Nebraska, 64; 7. Meghan Piepho, Nebraska, 63; 8. Karley Stoltzberg, SDSU, 60.

High-Point Differential: Anna Taylor, SDSU, and Jess Mann, SDSU.

Reining: Nebraska 224, SDSU 211.5

1. Lindsey Salestrom, Nebraska, 79; T2. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 73.5; T2. Erin Peery, Nebraska, 73.5; 4. Alicia Wittwer, Nebraska, 71.5; 5. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 71; 6. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 67; 7. Rachelle Bose, Nebraska, 66; 8. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 64.5.

High-Point Differential: Lindsey Salestrom, Nebraska.

Horsemanship-Section 1: Nebraska 254, SDSU 240

1. Erin Peery, Nebraska, 86; T2. Alicia Wittwer, Nebraska, 84; T2. Lindsey Salestrom, Nebraska, 84; 4. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 82; 5. Katie Peers, Nebraska, 80; T6. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 79; T6. Brianna Grohs, SDSU, 79; 8. Kate Gunderson, SDSU, 72.

High-Point Differential: Katie Peers, Nebraska.

SOUTH CAROLINA EDGES JACKS

Defending Varsity Equestrian national champion South Carolina won three of four events to earn a come-from-behind victory over South Dakota State in head-to-head competition April 1 at Swiftel Center.

The Gamecocks swept the Western events and claimed the first event of the day, equitation

over fences, en route to a 1,146.5-1,143 victory.

SDSU built a 599-565 lead following the English competition after winning the equitation on the flat competition, 382-313. Allison Carie led the Jackrabbits with a score of 81 to place second individually in the event and Laura Hoff earned high-point differential honors with a score of 78. Carie, a freshman from Fairbanks, Alaska, also was runner-up in the equitation over fences competition with a score of 85.

In Western reining, Anna Taylor earned runner-up honors for SDSU with a score of 72.

The meet was the final competition of SDSU's inaugural season. The Jackrabbits finished the season with a 1-8 record in head-to-head competitions.

SOUTH CAROLINA 1,146.5, SDSU 1,143

ENGLISH: SDSU 599, SOUTH CAROLINA 565

Equitation Over Fences: South Carolina 252, SDSU 217

1. Lindsay Pace, USC, 88; 2. Allison Carie, SDSU, 85; T3. Carly Johns, USC, 82; T3. Chelsea Koornick, USC, 82; 5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 72; 6. Lisa Bourbonniere, USC, 65; 7. Katie Morris, SDSU, 60. No Score: Laura Hoff, SDSU.

High-Point Differential: Lisa Bourbonniere, USC.

Equitation on the Flat: SDSU 382, South Carolina 313

1. Cate Sands, USC, 89; 2. Allison Carie, SDSU, 81; 3. Laura Hoff, SDSU, 78; 4. Ashleigh Collins, USC, 77; T5. Lisa Assid, SDSU, 76; T5. Kaylee DeVries, SDSU, 76; T5. Carly Johns, USC, 76; T8. Jessica Boll, USC, 71; T8. Lindsay Harr, SDSU, 71; 10. Katie Morris, SDSU, 70. No Score: Sarah Stephens, USC; Ciara Stuart, USC.

High-Point Differential: Laura Hoff, SDSU.

WESTERN: SOUTH CAROLINA 581.5, SDSU 544

Horsemanship: South Carolina 368, SDSU 339

1. Katie Grossnickle, USC, 75; T2. Katy Biffle, USC, 74; T2. Allison Bradley, USC, 74; 4. Rachel Sternoff, USC, 73; 5. Michelle Grah, USC, 72; 6. Katie Hendrickson, SDSU, 71; 7. Laura Pipkin, USC, 70; 8. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 68; T9. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 67; T9. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 67; T11. Jessica Mann, SDSU, 66; T11. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 66.

High-Point Differential: Katie Grossnickle, USC.

Reining: South Carolina 213.5, SDSU 205

1. Allison Bradley, USC, 74; 2. Anna Taylor, SDSU, 72; 3. Lindsay Williams, USC, 71; 4. Kelsey Likness, SDSU, 69; 5. Laura Pipkin, USC, 68.5; 6. Ashleigh Collins, USC, 65.5; 7. Abby Knobbe, SDSU, 64; 8. Molly Seidel, SDSU, 62.5.

High-Point Differential: Lindsay Williams, USC.

About South Dakota State University

With a record enrollment of 11,377 students in the fall of 2006, South Dakota State University is the state's largest institution of higher education.

EARLY HISTORY

Located in Brookings, SDSU was authorized in 1881 by the Territorial Legislative Assembly and serves as the state's land-grant institution. Territorial Council member John O'Brien Scobey, failing to obtain the penitentiary for Brookings, managed to secure Dakota Agricultural College for his city.

Although allocations fell short of the actual cost, the school was able to open in the fall of 1884 because the president, George Lilley, was willing to advance \$500 — one-third of his salary — to finish three rooms in the new Central Building. "Old Central" was soon joined by South (1885) and North (1887), forming the nucleus of campus for a decade and a half.

During the first year of operation, only preparatory classes were held. College classes started in 1885 with five teachers, 17 freshman and 61 preparatory students. Growth was slow and erratic for many years, but by the turn of the 20th century there were 242 students. By 1990, SDSU had an enrollment of more than 9,000 students.

Nearly 50,000 degrees have been granted since the college was chartered in 1881.

COLLEGES ESTABLISHED

The structure of the college became more complex as enrollments increased. The first nine chairs of instruction established in 1884 included agriculture, science, mathematics, English, modern languages, military tactics, veterinary science, practical business, political and domestic economy, and music.

By 1907, the year the name of the institution was changed to South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, there were 22 departments on campus.

Reorganization into the five divisions which formed the basis for the designation of colleges was completed under President Charles W. Pugsley in 1923.

In 1964, when "State College" was renamed South Dakota State University, there were six colleges; today degrees are offered through these eight colleges:



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY features a 16-to-1 student-to-faculty ratio. Over the past five years, the average placement rate at SDSU has been 95 percent, with placement in selected majors like pharmacy and engineering approaching 100 percent.

- Agricultural and Biological Sciences
- Arts and Science
- Education and Counseling
- Engineering
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- General Registration
- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- Graduate School

SDSU also offers degree programs through the Sioux Falls Center for Public Higher Education (USDSU). Evening, RDTN, Internet and off-campus courses are coordinated through the Office of Academic Affairs and Outreach.

SDSU BY THE NUMBERS

In its 125-year history, South Dakota State has grown from a campus of 80 acres in 1881 to a 271-acre campus with facilities worth more than \$220 million.

The university owns or leases another 15,000 acres for research throughout the state.

A University Student Union expansion and renovation project was completed in the summer of 2005, as was Caldwell Hall, a suite-style residence hall.

Other recent building projects have included:

- Anson and Ada May Yeager Hall (formerly the Printing and Journalism Building), which underwent a \$2.1 million expansion and renovation project;
- Crothers Engineering Hall — \$7 million expansion;
- Solberg Hall — multi-million dollar renovation;
- Performing Arts Center — \$9 million project completed in fall of 2002.

In addition, the Enterprise Institute building, which also houses the SDSU Foundation, was completed in the fall of 2004. The Enterprise Institute is designed to facilitate SDSU and industry resources to encourage and assist the establishment of entrepreneurial growth enterprises in the region.

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About South Dakota State University

More than 200 majors, minors and options are available at SDSU with more than 2,500 different course offerings.

Master's degrees are offered in more than 30 areas and doctorates are available in eight fields.

SDSU is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and numerous departments on campus have earned accreditation from various agencies.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

The university reaches all corners of the state through the Cooperative Extension Service and the Agricultural Experiment Station, offering service seeking to improve the quality of rural life. Also at SDSU are the Center for Innovation, Technology and Entrepreneurship; Engineering Experiment Station, Office of Remote Sensing; Water Resources Institute; Engineering and Environmental Research Center; Animal Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory; and Northern Grain Insect Research Laboratory.

These units help strengthen the university's growing commitment to research and support of state and local economic development efforts.

The Northern Great Plains Biostress Laboratory, which was dedicated in 1993, houses scientists who focus on research aimed at developing new technologies to protect crops and livestock.

SDSU also has been selected as one of five



TOMPKINS ALUMNI CENTER features the Aggie School Clock Tower. The building, located on the west side of campus, hosts many university and alumni functions throughout the year.

universities to serve as a regional center for the Sun Grant Initiative. The Sun Grant Initiative is a concept to solve America's energy needs and revitalize rural communities with Land-Grant university research, education and Extension programs on renewable energy and bio-based non-food industries.

Supplementing classroom instruction are the Harding Distinguished Lecture Series, the F.O. Butler Lectures, the Lusk Lecture and the Amdahl, Schultz-Werth and Griffiths endowments.

Students also have the opportunity to choose from more than 200 clubs and organi-

zations active on campus.

MUSEUMS AND ATTRACTIONS

The educational opportunities don't end in the classroom or laboratory as South Dakota State University is home to several facilities, including museums and gardens, which highlight South Dakota history and heritage.

The South Dakota Art Museum, which recently completed an expansion, was first envisioned by the South Dakota Federation of Women's Clubs in 1949, and dedicated in 1970. The museum's collections include early Sioux Indian tribal art, the famed Harvey Dunn paintings of pioneer life and the exclusive Vera Way Marghab linens.

The State Agricultural Heritage Museum transformed the former Stock Judging Pavilion into a home for exhibits that record and preserve the agrarian heritage of South Dakota.

The 70-acre McCrory Gardens and South Dakota Arboretum, located south and east of campus, provide a beautiful setting for area residents and tourists to enjoy a stroll through the radiant colors and fragrances of one of the top 10 small ornamental gardens in the nation. It is also recognized as an All-American Display Garden, one of only 13 in the nation.

In 1993 McCrory Gardens was designated an All-American Judging Garden to conduct research on annual flowers.

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COOLIDGE-SYLVAN THEATRE, located on the southwest corner of campus is an outdoor amphitheater that has been the site of concerts, graduations and inaugurations of university presidents since its dedication by President Calvin Coolidge in September 1927.

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Since 1985, private contributions have made many new gardens possible including the Rose, Rock, Centennial Prairie, Iris, True Lily, Mum, Native Prairie Collection, Oak Tree Memorial Garden, All-Red Specialty Garden, Peony Garden, Shrub Rose Collection, and Children's Maze.

In August 1994, dedication ceremonies were held for the Mickelson Grove Memorial in honor of former governor and Brookings resident George Mickelson.

In 1982, the area north of the formal garden was dedicated to the planting and testing of ornamental trees and shrubs. The 45-acre site was designated the South Dakota State Arboretum in 1988.

The arboretum's purpose is to test woody plants needed to protect agricultural fields and livestock from the region's harsh environment, to provide hardy trees to shade our towns and cities, and to test ornamental shrubs for both durability and beauty.

The arboretum and gardens are managed by the SDSU Horticulture, Forestry, Landscape and Parks Department. More gardens and tree and shrub collections are being developed.

Perhaps South Dakota State's most recognizable landmark is the 165-foot Coughlin Campanile, the state's largest chimes tower. A climb of 179 steps leads to a panoramic view of the city.

The statuesque structure on the west end of campus was a \$65,000 gift from 1909 engineering graduate Charles Coughlin, who later went on to become head of the Briggs & Stratton Corporation.

Coughlin laid the campanile's cornerstone on June 10, 1929. Since then, its chimes have called students to classes with the famous Westminster peals.

An alumni-sponsored project to restore the campanile was completed in the summer of 2001.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For more information about South Dakota State University academic programs, call the Admissions Office at 1-800-952-3541, or (605) 688-6891.

Admissions E-Mail:
SDSU.Admissions@sdstate.edu

University Web Site: www.sdstate.edu

Athletics Web Site: www.GoJacks.com

JACKRABBIT ATHLETICS

South Dakota State University currently offers 21 varsity sports with Jackrabbit teams competing at the NCAA Division I level. Football competes in the Division I-AA Great West Football Conference, with the men's and women's swimming and diving teams competing as associate members of the Mid-Continent Conference. Women's soccer will begin competition this fall in the United Soccer Conference and wrestling will compete this winter in the Western Wrestling Conference.

SDSU officials continue to work toward securing conference affiliation for all sports.

Following is a listing of sports currently offered at SDSU:

Women's Sports

Basketball
Cross Country
Equestrian
Golf
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Soccer
Softball
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Volleyball

Men's Sports

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Wrestling

EVOLUTION OF A NICKNAME

There are two theories as to how and why the Jackrabbit nickname evolved. The most common belief is that the name "Jackrabbits" came from a story and cartoon sketch that appeared in a Minneapolis newspaper following a 1905 football game between the University of Minnesota and South Dakota State College, as the university was then known. A reporter for the newspaper, knowing of the preponderance of jackrabbits in the Brookings area, was believed to have written that the SDSC team was as quick as jackrabbits. Many people believe that the school adopted the Jackrabbits as its official nickname from that beginning.

The other theory about the origin of the nickname is given in *The Jackrabbit*, SDSU's yearbook. There is a poem in the 1907 yearbook that puts forth the idea that the yearbook is called *The Jackrabbit* because a group of juniors wished to immortalize themselves by changing the name of the yearbook. Athletic teams followed suit, adopting the nickname.

Prior to the adoption of the Jackrabbit nickname, school athletic teams were known as the Barn Yard Cadets as SDSU was known as South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in 1907.

Adjacent to the campanile, Coolidge-Sylvan Theatre has provided a restful, green haven for students since its dedication by President Calvin Coolidge in September 1927.

Over the years the outdoor amphitheater has been the site of concerts, graduations and inaugurations for university presidents.

Woodbine Cottage, the home of the university president, is a charming example of Queen Anne architecture. Built in 1887 by South Dakota Agricultural College's second president, Dr. Lewis McLouth, the home is crowned by multiple roof lines.

The house also has served as a women's dormitory, music hall and infirmary.

STATE'S LARGEST LIBRARY

The Hilton M. Briggs Library, the state's largest, was opened in 1977 and joined South

Dakota's statewide automated library network in 1988. Through the library, users have access to holdings from all 10 of the state's libraries, including official documents and more than 1 million other holdings at Briggs.

THE BROOKINGS COMMUNITY

Today, Brookings is a growing community of about 18,500 people. Located 20 miles west of the Minnesota border and 50 miles north of Sioux Falls in east-central South Dakota, Brookings is situated at the intersection of U.S. Highway 14 and Interstate 29.

The community also is home to several recognizable companies including Rainbow Play Systems, Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing (3M), Larson Manufacturing, and Daktronics, a leading manufacturer of scoreboards and display systems.

EQUESTRIAN TERMS

CROP — A short whip used in horseback riding used only as an aid to re-enforce the rider's leg.

DIAGONALS — The correct posting, up/down motion, of the rider in sequence with diagonal movement of the horse's legs at the trot.

EQUITATION — In riding competitions, this indicates that riders are being judged on their ability to control the horse while maintaining the correct riding position. Riders have the added challenge of riding an unfamiliar horse that they draw in a lottery system just prior to their class.

EQUITATION/HORSEMANSHIP — In competitions, this indicates that the riders are being judged on their ability to control and show the horse while maintaining the correct riding position.

EQUITATION OVER FENCES — An individual performance where each rider shows a horse over 8-10 jumps of varying heights. Riders are judged on their ability to position the horse correctly at the jumps and avoid interfering with the horse's balance, while maintaining the correct riding position and producing a smooth polished performance.

FIGURE EIGHT — Two circles connected by a change of direction, most often seen in reining patterns.

GAIT — Three ways, canter/lope, trot/jog, or walk, by which a horse can move by lifting the feet in different order or rhythm.

HALT — The command for stop.

HORSEMANSHIP — Refers to a class of Western riding in which the rider is judged on maintaining correct position and controlling the horse in a pattern.

HUNT SEAT — The category in which English riders compete in either over a series of jumps or in a general equitation class.

IRONS — The English stirrups used in riding.

LEADS — They are determined at the canter/lope by which front foot is leading. Correct leads have the inside foreleg reaching furthest.

LEAD CHANGE — Done at the canter/lope to change which front foot is leading.

NATURAL AIDS — Subtle or imperceptible body signals from the seat, legs, hands, and voice are allowed to communicate commands to the horse and in addition exaggerated shifting of the rider's weight is not desirable. The resulting performance shown by the horse is not to be considered more important than the methods used by the rider in obtaining them.

ON THE RAIL — Both riding disciplines compete in this manner, in which the riders enter the show arena and show collectively at all required gaits on command from the judge.

REINING — In these classes, the most advanced Western riders perform an individual, pre-assigned pattern from memory, demonstrating a variety of stops, turns and figures at various speeds. The emphasis is on precision and technical application of the rider's ability to handle unfamiliar horses.

ROLL BACK — A turn performed in equitation over fence class to show control of the horse and rider's ability to maintain a position throughout a turn. A tight turn performed between two fences. In Western reining, a rollback is a 180-degree pivot with speed after a halt.

SCHOOLING — Practice time before the classes, is not allowed for intercollegiate competitors.

SLIDING STOP — A smooth stop from the lope, in which the horse is supposed to balance on its back feet while the front feet continue to move.

STOCK SEAT — The common Western division, where the goal of the rider is to maneuver the horse through a herd of livestock to rope, move or control.

STRIDING — A single coordinated movement of the four legs of a horse or other animal completed when the legs return to their initial relative position. In the hunt seat fence classes, proper striding between two jumps in a line is required. Ex: If you need to have six strides down the diagonal line and five strides on the outside line.

TACK — The equipment worn by the horse (saddle, bridle, etc.).

TWO-POINT POSITION — Performed in practice to learn the proper leg position, balance and strength. The position is done on the flat and requires the body to be positioned forward just out of the saddle. This is the forward position used over fences.

WALK, JOG, LOPE — In Western, these are the gaits that the horse travels in.

JUDGING

GENERAL RULES

1. In equitation/horsemanship classes, only the rider is being judged therefore no penalty should be assessed because of the horse's conformation, color or movement.
2. Falling off a horse results in elimination.
3. Three refusals over jumps by a horse result in elimination.
4. Any rider not having her mount under sufficient control shall be removed from the ring by the show stewards and shall be disqualified or remounted at their discretion.
5. Riders must remain on the same mount throughout all phases of an equitation or horsemanship class until the judge requests a change.
6. Riders are allowed minimal preparation time with their assigned horse.

ENGLISH RULES

General — The rider should have a workmanlike appearance, seat and hands light and supple, conveying the impression of complete control.

WESTERN RULES

General — The rider will be judged on seat, hands, and the ability to control and show the horse. Results as shown by the performance of the horse are not to be considered more important than the method used by the rider in obtaining them.

2006-07 Jackrabbit Equestrian

Front Row: Molly Seidel, Tory Ruppert, Dakota Huzzen, Kylie Jo Wilson, Erin Broussard. Second Row: Nicole Jensen, Hillary Siebels, Ashlie, Abby Knobbe, Hillary Beldin. Third Row: Kate Gunderson, Katelyn Knudsen, Lindsay Harr, Kaylee Mundwiler. Fourth Row: Kristen Carlson, Carolyn Wehde, Karley Stoltenburg, Anna Taylor. Fifth Row: Brianna Grohs, Courtney Smith, Lacey Vernon, Diana Sneve. Sixth Row: Allison Carie, Meghan Lentsch, Cierra Anderson, Kaylee DeVries. Eighth Row: Laura Hoff, Jessica Carr, Katie Morris, Brittany Henry. Back Row: Kelsey Likness, Kathryn Hendrickson, Sara Stirton, Jayme Shanks.



2006-07 SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

23-24 at Wisconsin-River Falls (Western)

TBA

OCTOBER

14-15 at Wisconsin-River Falls (English)

TBA

28 at Nebraska (Western)

TBA

NOVEMBER

4 at Minnesota-Crookston (English)

TBA

11 DELAWARE ST./NORTH DAKOTA ST. (Combined) 11 a.m.

TBA

18-19 at North Dakota State (Western)

TBA

FEBRUARY

17-18 at Tennessee-Martin/vs. Delaware State

TBA

24 at Nebraska (Western)

TBA

MARCH

3-4

at Fresno State Western Tournament

TBA

11

IHSA ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS (Western)

11 a.m.

24

at IHSA Super Zones Championships (Western)
(at Pomona, Calif.)

TBA

APRIL

1

at IHSA Zone 9 Finals (English)
(at Lake in the Hills, Ill.)

TBA

17-19

at Varsity Equestrian Championships
(Waco, Texas)

TBA

MAY

3-6

at IHSA National Finals (at Springfield, Mass.)

TBA